## **SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 636**

## By Herron

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Will Miller, 2009

Valedictorian of Obion County Central High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Will Miller is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2009 graduating class at Obion County Central High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Mr. Miller has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career, Will has earned an exemplary grade point average while participating in several worthwhile extracurricular activities, including his school's band and jazz band, Academic Decathlon, Foreign Language Club, Key Club, Beta Club, National Honor Society, and Christian Students Association; and

WHEREAS, he has distinguished himself as a leader among his peers through his astute service as President of the National Honor Society and the Christian Student Association, Vice President of the Beta Club, his school's Delegate to the Student Congress on Policies in Education and American Legion Boys State, and as a participant in Tennessee Electric Cooperatives Association Youth Leadership; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to accolades and awards, Will has been a Top Ten student all four years of his high school career and has received awards in Biology I, World Geography, Honors English II, Algebra II, Chemistry I and II, Spanish I and II, Geometry, Calculus, and Physics; and

WHEREAS, this exceptional young man was the winner of the Gibson Electric Membership Cooperative short story contest and has been honored as a Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizen, D.A.R.E. Role Model, and Kiwanis Club Student of the Month; and

WHEREAS, Will expresses his devout faith through his attendance at First Baptist
Church in Obion, where he has sang in the choir, served on the Music Committee, and taught
both Vacation Bible School and the Men III Sunday School class; he has also participated in his
church's annual Christmas box distribution ministry and Operation Christmas Child; and

WHEREAS, he has demonstrated an ongoing commitment to public service as a volunteer at area nursing homes and as a participant in the Hillcrest Elementary School afterschool program; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Miller's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his success as a student at Union University this fall; and

WHEREAS, Will's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his mother, Ann Miller, his father, Chuck Miller, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, his dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2009 Obion County Central High School Valedictorian, Will Miller, on his impressive academic achievement and extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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